



SECTOR WG: LIVELIHOODS AND INCLUSION

Meeting Details			
Date	22 02 2023- Next meeting on 28 03 2023		
Time	1.00 pm		
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Agenda			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and introduction National programme regarding childcare services for children under 3 Local-level perspectives: situation of refugees' access to childcare services in Chisinau Interventions by local and international organizations on their support in this area 			
Information collection and relevant links			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> REACH - Area-Based Assessment, https://data.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/98651 Presentation of the National Programme for childcare service for children under 3, https://bit.ly/3kjORPs Presentation of the situation of childcare services in Chisinau Information about the list of kindergartens in Chişinău, statistics https://egradinita.md/ Information on the Programme for child caregivers, supported by UNDP: https://cpam.md/?page_id=3617. 			
Participants			
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<i>Sorina Pinzaru, UNHCR</i>	<i>Doina Haheu, IOM</i>	<i>Valentina Costin</i>	<i>Lilia Porhomenscu, ICR</i>
<i>Carolina Sclifos, UNHCR</i>	<i>Cristina Pavliuc, IOM</i>	<i>Nata Imanova, IsraAid</i>	<i>Almothana Hasan, PIN</i>
<i>Lilia Hincu, UNHCR</i>	<i>Tatiana Puscas, CRS</i>		<i>Xavier R. Sire, UNICEF</i>
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Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

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Agenda Point 1 Welcome and introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Turcanu, State Chancellery Co-chair, mentioned the approval of the regulation regarding guardianship services for children. The project does not address refugees, but they are thinking of how to include them. Ms. Turcanu also mentioned the request to include refugee children in the summer camps that are planned to be organized for Moldovan children – the draft project has been issued for public consultation. Ms. Andrea Cuzyova, UNDP Co-chair, reminded the participants about the approval of the Temporary Protection decision, and the importance of addressing the childcare needs of refugees in order to facilitate their access to the labour market and other livelihoods opportunities. 	Participants were invited to provide their comments and ideas on the draft project regarding the organization of summer camps for children.
Agenda Point 2 National programme regarding childcare services for children under 3 Madalina Ciocanu, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, madalina.ciocanu@social.gov.md	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Madalina Ciocanu, consultant for childcare services at the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (MLSP) presented the National programme regarding childcare services for children under 3. The Programme aims to create and deliver quality childcare services to enable children to enjoy holistic development and education, and to support equity from an early age, through three major interventions: expansion of public nursery services; creation of three types of alternative childcare services; and expansion of private nurseries. Ukrainian refugee children are specifically considered by the Programme, which aims that by 2026 30% of the total number of refugee children under the age of 3 are enrolled in care services (both public creches and alternative services). The Programme has been elaborated and is supported by several international partners, including UN Women, UNFPA, UNICEF, ILO, UBS, German cooperation, and 	N/A



	<p>others. The Ministry is looking to expand the group of international partners to participate in the different working groups of the Programme.</p>	
<p>Agenda Point 3 Local-level perspectives: situation of refugees' access to childcare services in Chisinau, Angela Cutasevici, Chisinau City Hall, dn.cojocar@gmail.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Angela Cutasevici, Vice-mayor of Chisinau, mentioned the uncertainty of the situation at beginning of the war, which is now more stable. • During her presentation, Ms. Cutasevici presented the following statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1,480 Refugee students were registered in the schools in Chisinau, in February (558 students attend daily classes) ○ 800 children refugee were registered in kindergartens in Chisinau (319 refugee children attend daily classes) ○ About 250 refugee children attend the creative, community and artistic education centers in Chisinau. ○ 800 refugee children attended the municipal summer camps. ○ 11 refugee children are enrolled in municipal extracurricular artistic education institutions. • Participants were invited to see statistics regarding the number of requests and children enrolled in kindergartens on the platform www.egradinuta.md. • It was also mentioned that 4,510 additional places for children 2 years old and above are required, which would constitute 230 new groups. International support is needed to open the 230 new groups of children, and particularly needed equip and maintain the classes for small children. • Official data show that in Chisinau, there are 743 Ukrainian citizens employed, while over 119 employers offer approx. 1,874 vacancies for refugees. 	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Agenda Point 3 Interventions by local and international organizations on their support in this area</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Olga Gordila-Bobeico, UNFPA, mentioned that UNFPA has been supporting the MLSP in the development of alternative services. An evaluation of the localities with potential for investment in childcare services is being conducted. • UNFPA is preparing together with UNDP a project regarding the employment of young people, including young refugees. • Ms. Tatiana Udrea, UN Women, mentioned the long-standing support to the MLSP, including on developing the legal framework. Together with UNFPA and UNICEF, UN Women is working on an evaluation of costs for the institutionalization of childcare services and their economic impact, employment, GDP, etc. UN Women is also 	<p>Participants are kindly requested to disseminate the information about UNDP's Programme for child caregivers amongst their networks of Ukrainian refugees.</p>



	<p>working on renovation of spaces of children, including within the General Police Inspectorate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Ana Moraru from UNDP presented the Programme for child caregivers, which was developed as a response to the unregulated nature of this type of services. UNDP is planning to train 60 Ukrainian refugees.• Early Starters International have been working in Moldova since the beginning of the war, and now have 7 early childhood safe spaces running for young children.	
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